

2013 – LEGISLATION

HB13 - Protection of Children Riding in Motor Vehicles (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill prohibits a person from smoking in a motor vehicle if a child who is 15 years of age or younger is a passenger in the vehicle; provides that violating the smoking prohibition is an infraction and has a maximum fine of \$45; provides that until July 1, 2014, a peace officer may not issue a citation to an individual for a violation of this section but shall issue the individual a warning informing the individual that smoking is prohibited in a motor vehicle if a child who is 15 years of age or younger is a passenger in the vehicle; provides that enforcement of the smoking prohibition shall be only as a secondary action.

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HB32 - Driver License Motorcycle Endorsement Amendments (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill provides that a person is exempt from the requirement to pass the knowledge and skills test to be eligible for a motorcycle endorsement to a regular license certificate if the person: is a resident of the state of Utah; is ordered to active duty and stationed outside of Utah in any of the armed forces of the United States or is an immediate family member or dependent of a person stationed outside of Utah in any of the armed forces of the United States; has a digitized driver license photo on file with the division; provides proof to the division of the successful completion of a certified Motorcycle Safety Foundation rider training course; and provides the necessary information and documentary evidence; grants the DLD rulemaking authority to: establish the procedures for certain military personnel and their families to obtain a motorcycle endorsement and identify the applicable restrictions for the motorcycle endorsement issued.

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HB79 – Motor Vehicle Registration and Insurance Amendments (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill provides that certain new registration cards issued by the Tax Commissioner on or after November 1, 2013, may not display the address of the owner or the lessee on the registration card; provides that a card issued by an insurance company as evidence of owner's or operator's security on or after July 1, 2014, may not display the owner's or operator's address on the card.

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HB83 - Speed Limit Amendments (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill expands the portion of Interstate 15 where DOT may establish a posted speed limit that exceeds 75 miles per hour; adds a portion of Interstate 80 where DOT may establish a posted speed limit that exceeds 75 miles per hour.

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HB93 – Traffic Violations Amendments (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill defines serious bodily injury; provides that if a person has received a citation for a moving traffic violation that resulted in a collision and any person involved in the collision sustained serious bodily injury or death as a proximate result of the collision, a court may not accept a plea of guilty or no contest to a charge for the moving traffic violation unless the prosecutor agrees to the plea; requires a peace officer that issues a citation for a moving traffic violation to record on the citation whether the moving traffic violation resulted in a collision in which any person involved in the collision sustained serious bodily injury or death as a proximate result of the traffic collision; and makes technical corrections.

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HB103 - Wireless Telephone use Restrictions (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill prohibits a person younger than 18 years of age from using a wireless telephone to communicate with another person while operating a motor vehicle; provides affirmative defenses to the wireless telephone prohibition; specifies a penalty for violating the wireless telephone prohibition; provides that a violation of the wireless telephone prohibition is not a reportable violation and prohibits the Driver License Division from assessing points against a person's driving record for being convicted of violating the wireless telephone prohibition.

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HB128 - Driver License Suspension Modification (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill amends the amount of time that a court may shorten a person's driver license suspension for a conviction under 41-6a-502 as outlined in 41-6a-509(8) or a conviction under 41-6a-517 as outlined in 41-6a-517(11) prior to the completion of the suspension period if the person is under 19 years of age and completes certain requirements; amend the administrative suspension periods for a per-se arrest under 53-3-223 and a not a drop arrest under 53-3-231 for persons under 19 years of age at the time of arrest for an arrest that occurs on or after May 14, 2013.

CLICK TO VIEW ENTIRE LAW: <http://le.utah.gov/~2013/bills/hbillenr/HB0128.pdf>

HB272 - Traffic Signal Amendments (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill provides that under certain circumstances an operator of a vehicle facing a steady red arrow signal may cautiously enter the intersection to turn left from a one-way street into a one-way street.

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HB294 - Bicycles on Streets (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill provides that, under certain circumstances, a person operating a vehicle may operate the vehicle to the left of the center of the roadway when overtaking and passing a bicycle or moped proceeding in the same direction at a speed less than the reasonable speed of traffic then present, including in a no-passing zone.

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HB295 - Electronic Proof of Owner's or Operator's Security (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill provides that a person may provide evidence of owner's or operator's security to a peace officer in a hard copy format or in an electronic format using a mobile electronic device; provides that if a person provides evidence of owner's or operator's security in an electronic format using a mobile electronic device, the peace officer viewing the owner's or operator's security on the mobile electronic device may not view any other content on the mobile electronic device; provides that a peace officer is not subject to civil liability or criminal penalties if the peace officer inadvertently views content other than the evidence of owner's or operator's security on the mobile electronic device; and makes technical corrections.

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HB297 - Bicycle and Moped Amendment (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill provides that a person operating a vehicle may drive in a center lane that is a two-way left turn lane to overtake and pass a bicycle or moped if: the center lane is on a roadway divided into three or more lanes that provides for two-way movement of traffic and is clear of traffic within a safe distance; there is only one lane of travel in the direction the person operating the vehicle is traveling and the bicycle or moped is moving at less than the reasonable speed of traffic.

CLICK TO VIEW ENTIRE LAW: <http://le.utah.gov/~2013/bills/hbillenr/HB0297.pdf>

HB299 – Bicycle Modifications (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill amends the definition of a bicycle and an electric assisted bicycle.

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HB316 – Traffic Amendments (Effective: May 14, 2013)

Until July 1, 2014, an operator of a motorcycle, moped, or bicycle who is 16 years of age or older, it is an affirmative defense if the operator of a motorcycle, moped, or bicycle facing a steady circular red signal or red arrow: brings the motorcycle, moped, or bicycle to a complete stop at the intersection or stop line; determined that the traffic-control signal has not detected the operator's presence by waiting a reasonable period of time of not less than 90 seconds at the intersection or stop line before entering the intersection; no other vehicle that is entitled to have the right-of-way under applicable law is sitting at, traveling through, or approaching the intersection; and no pedestrians are attempting to cross at or near the intersection in the direction of travel of the operator; and cautiously enters the intersection and proceeds across the roadway.

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HB320 - Temporary Identification Card (Effective: July 1, 2013)

This bill authorizes the DLD to issue a temporary regular identification card while the division is completing its investigation to determine if the person is a United States citizen, permanent resident alien, or United States national; provides that a temporary regular identification card shall be recognized and grant the person the same privileges as a regular identification card; provides that a temporary regular identification card issued is invalid; when the person's regular identification card issued is invalid; when the person's regular identification card has been issued; when, for good cause, an applicant's application for an identification card has been refused; or upon expiration of the temporary regular identification card.

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HB324 – Passing on the Right Amendments (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill modifies the Traffic Code by amending provisions relating to passing a vehicle on the right. Excepts a person operating a bicycle from the provision that prohibits a person from overtaking or passing another vehicle if the movement is made by driving off the roadway.

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SB13 - Amendments to Ignition Interlock Program (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill provides that the DLD may clear the suspension for an ignition interlock violation if the division electronically verifies that the person does not have a vehicle registered in the person's name in **the state of Utah**, rather than a vehicle registered in any state.

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SB19 - Commercial Driver License Amendments (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill provides that the DLD may deny a person's class A,B,C, or D commercial driver license if the person fails to comply with the requirements to have a K restriction removed from the person's license; amends the endorsements and restrictions that apply to a commercial driver license; specifies the classifications, endorsements, and restrictions that apply to a commercial driver instruction permit; amends the definition of serious traffic violation for the purposes of disqualifying a commercial driving privilege to include using a handheld wireless communication device for certain purposes while operating a commercial motor vehicle, and using a hand-held mobile telephone in violation of federal law while operating a commercial motor vehicle; requires the DLD to license commercial driver license third party testers or CDL third party examiners to be eligible to administer the CDL skills tests; requires DLD to make rules establishing minimum standards and application procedures for a CDL third party tester or third party examiner license; minimum standards for the CDL skills test; and procedures to enable a licensed CDL third party tester or CDL third party examiner to administer a CDL skills test for an applicant to receive a CDL; amends the CDL medical certification status requirements.

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SB104 – Vulnerable Users of Highways Amendments (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill defines a vulnerable user of a highway; prohibits an operator of a motor vehicle from operating a motor vehicle within three feet of a vulnerable user of a highway; provides that an operator of a motor vehicle may not knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly: distract or attempt to distract a vulnerable user of a highway for a purpose unrelated to public safety; or force or attempt to force a vulnerable user of a highway off of the roadway for the purpose of causing violence or injury to the vulnerable user of a highway; provides penalties for distracting a vulnerable user of a highway or forcing a vulnerable user of a highway off of the roadway for a purpose unrelated to public safety; and makes technical corrections.

CLICK TO VIEW ENTIRE LAW: <http://le.utah.gov/~2013/bills/sbillenr/SB0104.pdf>

SB111 – Electronic Filing of Traffic Citations and Accident Reports (Effective: July 1, 2013)

This bill requires that traffic citations be filed electronically with the courts using the courts' electronic filing interface; and requires that motor vehicle accident reports be filed electronically with DPS.

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SB123 – Runaway Vehicle Ramp Requirements (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill prohibits a person from using a runaway vehicle ramp unless the person is in an emergency situation requiring use of the ramp to stop the person's vehicle; and prohibits a person from stopping, standing, or parking on a runaway vehicle ramp or in the pathway of a runaway vehicle ramp.

Effective: May 14, 2013

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SB146 – Driving Under the Influence Amendments (Effective: May 14, 2013)

This bill establishes minimum hours that a court shall require a person to participate in home confinement, if the court orders home confinement through the use of electronic monitoring for a first, second, or felony driving under the influence offense.

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